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### MISPLACED TEARS.

**P**ATHETIC indeed, but at bottom absurd, is the story printed this morning about one of the boys taken to the penitentiary from the Marion county jail yesterday afternoon. With "tears in his eyes" he told the sympathetic reporter the whole world has turned against him; that while he was in jail here for several months no preacher, no welfare worker, no Sunday school teacher, no Y. M. C. A. worker or any other person interested in helping boys had visited him or sent him greetings of any kind.

Without knowing anything about this case in particular, it is our guess that this is not an honest statement. But even if it is, there is scarcely any reason to shed tears over it. The boy admitted that he had been a student at the High school, a member of the football team and of the Y. M. C. A., but had permitted himself to drop from that position to the point where he fell into the clutches of the officers of the law.

The West Virginian does not want to get maudlin itself about this case, but it may serve some good purpose to point out that a number of the presidents of the United States did not start in life surrounded by any such favorable circumstances. Many of the men who are holding down \$100,000 jobs would have deemed themselves extremely fortunate had they possessed equal advantages. Making men out of such delinquents as this lad seems to be is one of the most difficult of civilization's problems, but as a general proposition what they need is not the sympathetic ministrations of welfare workers. Iron discipline and not coddling is the remedy.

### THE PRICE OF SUDS.

**O**F course in West Virginia our interest in such matters is largely, if not entirely, academic, but we believe we are perfectly safe in saying that throughout the country there are thousands of men who have been unmoved by the steady upward trend of commodity prices; who have read of the sufferings which the high cost of food has entailed upon the poor of the great cities, without the slightest show of interest, who were brought to a realization that these be parous times by the publication yesterday of a dispatch to the effect that the saloon keepers of Dallas, Texas, have formally agreed, after due discussion, to charge ten cents for each and every glass of beer they sell beginning with Saturday of this week.

Doubtless there are well meaning people who believe that the price of beer was fixed at 5 cents per by the Common Law, or at least that there is something in the constitution which forbids a change from that figure. We feel sure, however, that there is not the slightest ground for this impression. For one thing, there is a town in New Jersey where in certain popular emporiums the regulation price for many years was two for five—and big ones at that. But even more significant than this is the well known, and lamented, fact that no law regulates the size of the collar which the genial bartender is permitted to put on the brew. If the law was going to fix hard and fast rules regarding

### Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

#### DOING GOOD WORK.

From the Parkersburg News  
 In times passed there has been some criticism of the agricultural department of the West Virginia university at Morgantown and some of those who have been sent to the legislature at Charleston, both in the Senate and House, have fought appropriations for that branch of the institutions work, but now the people of the state readily realize the good accomplished by the act that in almost every county there are agents looking after the farming interests—agents who are showing the agriculturalist how to do his work in the most scientific manner to bring the best results and produce better crops. Showing the authorities at the state

university have done their work thoroughly it is only necessary to not that within the past few days a large class of young men who have been taken through training for this work have been graduated and will be at once placed at vantage points where they will either become county agents or assistant agents and in this way be able to show the farmer how it will be possible for him to grow the food that West Virginians will need during the present configuration of the world.  
 Wood county has been most fortunate in the matter of having county agents who are of the greatest worth. R. L. Buchanan, the general agent, has done wonderful things here during the past couple of years and is held in the highest esteem among the farmers. His work has been such that the county is producing more than it ever did before and with the same lines followed out it will do better in the future. Miss Hilma Robbins in charge of the girls club work has also accomplished much and will do more. By following the directions of these

competent instructors and acting upon their expert advice the country folk will be in a position to not only enrich themselves but will also be able to provide a great deal more of the produce of the farm, from vegetables to meats, which the country will need.  
 It is a wonderful system about which few people know a great deal as yet, but most of the residents are waking up to the fact, that by complying with the requirements laid down by the state agricultural department, conditions not only in Wood county, but all over the state will be improved and a majority are taking advantage of the educational opportunity afforded them.  
 Easy to itemize.  
 Patient—"One thousand dollars! Would you mind itemizing the bill?"  
 Doctor—"Certainly not; twenty-five dollars for the operation itself, five hundred for my reputation and the remainder because you have the money."—Life.

## OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE (BY GONDO.)



## WASHINGTON NEWS GOSSIP By CHARLES BROOKS SMITH.

Senator Sutherland has introduced in the upper branch of Congress bills for the relief of the M. E. and Presbyterian churches of Keyser—two war claims; a special pension bill for the relief of Milton Laid, of Parkersburg, \$50; a similar bill in behalf of Ada Fischer of Parkersburg; and a bill for the relief of the heirs of Jordan H. Meek, of Parkersburg, who was killed while employed in the railway rail service. Senator Sutherland has secured through the Pension bureau a pension of \$12 a month for Ida Howard, of Belington.

Charles Lewis has been appointed postmaster at Lester, Raleigh county; Giles J. Fink at Oxley, Raleigh county; and William F. Shaffer at Sevier, Raleigh county. Commissions have been issued to Mack M. Phillips, at Ashford; to Kingsley W. Cairns, at Ashford postmaster at Wileyville; Wiley C. Agee at Eccles; Richard D. Rose, Hinton; James E. Phillips, Hurricane; J. Frank Grimes, Mount Hope; Robert R. Church, Winding Gulf; and Charles B. Powell, Dunloop.

Senator Goff has been notified by the Pension commission of the granting of a pension of \$20 a month to Mrs. Margaret E. Morgan, former resident of West Virginia.

The press department of the Republican National committee, has the following to say this week:  
 Hon. Stuart R. Reed of West Virginia, whose first experience in the House of Representatives is in the present Congress, is a prominent writer and lecturer on educational subjects. He is President of the Association of American Secretaries of State, being eligible to that organization from having served as Secretary of State of West Virginia for eight years. Mr. Reed is prominent in newspaper, have edited several papers in his home state, and was the founder and one of the vice presidents of the Republican National Editorial Association. Congressman Reed's prominence in Republican politics in his state and Nation, and his work in previous national campaigns in charge of literature bureaus, makes him a valuable addition to the Republican organization of the present House.

Another of the former Republican members who have returned to their seats as a result of the last election is Hon. Harry C. Woodyard of West Virginia. Mr. Woodyard served eight

years in the House, his principal work being in connection with the committees on militia and rivers and harbors. Mr. Woodyard is engaged in the wholesale grocery business and lumber business in private life, but for the past twenty years has given most of his time to public matters. In 1898 he was elected a member of the Senate of his home state, and while there rendered valuable service on the committees on railroads and the judiciary. Mr. Woodyard is a friend of the old soldiers, and during his former service in the House was the means of securing relief for many who, because of some technicality, were unable to gain recognition at the Pension bureau.

Among the recent visitors in the Capital from West Virginia were Geo. C. McIntosh, of Huntington; John T. Harris, of Charleston; Lee Shaffer, of Parkersburg; George I. Nral, of Charleston.

### RUFF STUFF BY RED

If Mayor Bowen would read old, be-thumbed rules of the police department for handling guns, he wouldn't bawl a guard for shooting.

D. A. R. members would take cigarettes away from the soldiers during the war.

That is, if the old soldiers and those who understand will let them.

This is Funny  
 "Significant of the sacrifice which they are willing to make the D. A. R. passed resolutions forbidding any member of the organization to purchase any platinum during the war."

Speaking of sacrifices, during the

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war we hereby pledge ourselves not to purchase over a million tons of radium.  
 Can you imagine a soldier on the field without a cigarette? They don't make soldiers of that kind of stuff.  
 When the King and Queen of England stand for the Star Spangled Banner it ought to induce some of us Fairmonters to do likewise.

If the Giants hadn't played that 14th inning yesterday they wouldn't have lost.

"Canary Birds or Gold Fish?" Neither—hives.

Doesn't England love us now? Mercy yes, but at that we're not going to send an army to Europe as long as there are some Germans in Congress.

The men in ranks camped at the Fair Grounds can't get away; they have to stick there, and there are many things they should have.

"Trouble in Uruguay." Will the Hun menace never stop.

Wonder if Dante in his travels through imagination ever saw it rain every time the soldiers' arms got well.

Let'er rain, all during the months of July and August it will be pretty hot and dry.

And with National prohibition it looks as if several other months will be likewise.

If you are afraid to fight and want to do something for your Uncle Sam plow that back yard.

"Yes," said the bull dog to the tom cat, "we will sign an armistice and let the other fellows fight."

Can't get any more Ingersoll dollar watches because materials are being used to build ice cream cones.

Well, what do we want with an Ingersoll when we can get a Ford for the same price.

and officially to the project.  
 "But," added Mr. Marburg, "until it is shown that the League can and will protect its members against sudden assault, until it is shown that the League itself will hold together in times of storm and stress, no country can be expected to place its reliance for protection on it. Until then, Great Britain, for example, could not in fairness be asked to impair the strength of her great fleet."  
 "To many men the acts committed in this war, the every assault itself, were, before the event, simply unbelievable. The result is a shock to confidence—confidence in the binding force of treaty obligations, confidence in international law, and confidence in the upright intentions of the neighbor."  
 "No matter what the issue of the war, we are therefore apt for a time to witness armament going on at an accelerated pace.  
 "But once the German menace is definitely removed by a change of spirit on the part of the German people, the world may not only work back to its normal condition, but the existence of a league of nations—after it shall have established general confidence in its ability to do what it is designed to do—must eventually bring about an actual amelioration of the condition of armed peace existing before the present war. To the security due to her geographical position the United States will then add the security of a guarantee by the family of nations against sudden attack."

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## INDUSTRIAL FAIRMONT

A small one man mine, or coal bank is being opened at the A. H. Donnelly Machine shop and will soon be supplying the shop with fuel. A vein of good coal lies very near the surface at this place and as the price of coal continued to soar it was determined to cut down the operating expenses by opening and working the vein.

A small refrigerating plant has been purchased by the Martin Drug company and will be installed in the store room as soon as it arrives. The plant is of the ammonia type and the pipes will line the show cases and windows and will keep the dainty confections crisp and palatable throughout the hottest summer months.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS SURE TO RESULT

But Huge Armaments Will Be Maintained for Some Time.

(By Associated Press)  
 PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 21.—A league of nations is almost certain to be an outgrowth of the war in the opinion of Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore, Md., formerly United States Minister to Belgium, expressed in an address on "Security Under a League of Nations," which he delivered today before the annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. Mr. Marburg based his belief on the fact that the Entente powers, in their joint note to President Wilson, "committed themselves formal

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